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SFEx and Chronicle stories. We will update reporters when our statement is finalized.

Police union calls for resignation of SFPD chief

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The San Francisco Police Officers Association on Saturday demanded that Police Chief Bill Scott step down over criticism of police's handling of the investigation into the leaked police report on the death of late Public Defender Jeff Adachi.

The police union called an admission by Scott on Friday that the raid may have violated a journalist's First Amendment rights "shameful."

"His apology to the media was clearly meant for him to save face as opposed to accept responsibility for his own actions," the union said in a statement issued Saturday. Earlier this month, police and FBI officials raided the home and office of freelance stringer Bryan Carmody, confiscating more than 100 of his personal belongings in search for information about the source of the leak. The raid was first denounced by First Amendment advocates, and later by Mayor London Breed and District Attorney George Gascon.

In the statement, SFPOA President Tony Montoya and the police union's executive board called for Scott's resignation, citing "his complete lack of leadership regarding the investigation into leaked police department documents related to the Adachi investigation," and calling the investigation "a righteous one."

The San Francisco Examiner reported on Friday that Scott issued a statement acknowledging that the raid may have violated the California Shield Law.

"Yesterday, SFPD Chief William Scott showed everyone in the SFPD, and all San Franciscans, what his character consists of and it was a pathetic, deceitful and shameful display of self-preservation, finger pointing, and political kowtowing," the POA said in the statement. "We all deserve better."

In the statement, the union insisted that whoever leaked the report "should be held accountable." The POA also said that Scott had ordered the investigation and accused him of being dishonest about his involvement.

"Chief Scott not only followed every twist and turn of the investigation but he knew every element of the investigation, directed the investigation and has clearly either come down with the most debilitating case of amnesia or is flat out not telling the truth about his direct involvement and the horribly flawed direction he gave to find the leak of the police report," the POA said in the statement.

The POA also said that Scott knew of Carmody's status as a journalist and accused him of not disclosing this status to the sergeant who authored the search warrants.

"Had he done so, the Sergeant who wrote the search warrant would have followed protocols. The Sergeant was deceived by the Chief," said the POA in the statement. On May 10, police and FBI officials executed two search warrants, signed by San Francisco Superior Court judges Victor Hwang and Gail Dekreon, on Carmody's home

and office. Officers showed up with a sledgehammer to force entry into his home. Two weeks prior to the raid, Carmody said that he was interviewed by police about the leak, but refused to give up his source.

Carmody has maintained that he acted in his role as a journalist when selling information containing salacious details on Adachi's death from the leaked report to three television stations in February.

Last week, Carmody's lawyer and a Free Amendment group filed motions in court to quash the warrants and unseal the affidavits on which the warrants are based. lwaxmann@sfexaminer.com

https://www.sfchronicle.com/crime/article/Adachi-leak-SF-police-union-calls-on-police-13896795.php

Adachi leak: SF police union calls on police chief to resign, be investigated

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Ashley McBride May 25, 2019

Photo: Paul Kuroda / Special to The Chronicle In a scathing letter Saturday, the San Francisco Police

Officers Association called on Police Chief Bill Scott to step down, criticizing his new apology for the raid and investigation into a journalist earlier this month.

Following an apology from Scott for the raid on Friday, union president Tony Montoya accused Scott of blaming police officers for an investigation he orders. He also called for an investigation into Scott and wants him to be placed on administrative leave.

"Yesterday, SFPD Chief William Scott showed everyone in the SFPD, and all San Franciscans, what his character consists of and it was a pathetic, deceitful and shameful display of self-preservation, finger pointing, and political kowtowing. We all deserve better," Montoya wrote.

On May 10, police armed with a sledgehammers searched freelance journalist Bryan Carmody's home in an effort to determine who within the department gave Carmody a copy of the internal death report on late Public Defender Jeff Adachi — a report Carmody then sold to three television stations.

Adachi was a long-time foe of law enforcement who often criticized what he saw as police

misconduct. Adachi's supporters believe the leak was intended to smear the public defender's reputation after his death in February at age 59.

On Tuesday, Scott said the raid was a legitimate search of Carmody's property and suggested he was part of a criminal conspiracy to steal the death report. On Friday, Scott apologized.

"I'm sorry that this happened. I'm sorry to the people of San Francisco. I'm sorry to the mayor. We have to fix it. We know there were some concerns in that investigation and we know we have to fix it," Scott said in an interview with The Chronicle.

Scott said he would turn over the investigations to independent agencies and drop the criminal investigation and internal affairs investigations.

Montoya's letter called Scott's decision to bring in independent agencies "mind-boggling" and "a diversion" from Scott's responsibility in approving the raid.

The incident has garnered national attention from First Amendment and civil liberties groups who say the raid violates freedom of the press and California's shield law, which protects journalists from being forced to reveal confidential sources. Several public figures, including local leaders, Sen. Kamala Harris and Gov. Gavin Newsom have criticized the raid.

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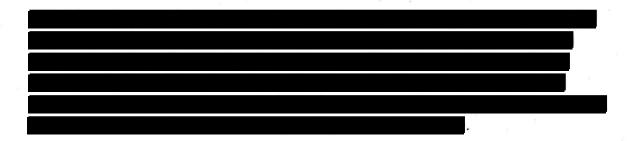
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